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RULES OF PROCEDURE

Rule 1. Convening of Meetings

1.1 The regular meeting day of the Select Committee on Intelligence for the transaction of committee business shall be every other Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise directed by the chairman.

1.2 The chairman shall have authority, upon proper notice, to call such additional meetings of the committee as he may deem necessary and may delegate such authority to any other member of the committee.

1.3 A special meeting of the committee may be called at any time upon the written request of five or more members of the committee filed with the clerk of the committee.

1.4 In the case of any meeting of the committee, other than a regularly scheduled meeting, the clerk of the committee shall notify every member of the committee of the time and place of the meeting and shall give reasonable notice which, except in extraordinary circumstances, shall be at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting held in Washington, D.C., and at least 48 hours in the case of any meeting held outside Washington, D.C.

1.5 If five members of the committee have made a request in writing to the chairman to call a meeting of the committee, and the chairman fails to call such a meeting within seven calendar days thereafter, including the day on which the written notice is submitted, these members may call a meeting by filing a written notice with the clerk of the committee who shall promptly notify each member of the committee in writing of the date and time of the meeting.

Rule 2. Meeting Procedures

2.1 Meetings of the committee shall be open to the public except as provided in Senate Resolution 9, 94th Congress, 1st session.

2.2 It shall be the duty of the staff director to keep or cause to be kept a record of all committee proceedings.

2.3 The chairman of the committee, or if the chairman is not present the vice chairman, shall preside over all meetings of the committee. In the absence of the chairman and the vice chairman at any meeting the ranking majority member, or if no majority member is present the ranking minority member present shall preside.

2.4 Except as otherwise provided in these rules, decisions of the committee shall be by majority vote of the members present and voting. A quorum for the transaction of committee business, including the conduct of executive sessions, shall consist of five committee members, except that for the purpose of hearing witnesses, taking sworn testimony, and receiving evidence under oath, a quorum may consist of one Senator.

2.5 A vote by any member of the committee with respect to any measure or matter being considered by the committee may be cast by proxy if the proxy authorization (1) is in writing; (2) designates the member of the committee who is to exercise the proxy; and (3) is limited to a specific measure or matter and any amendments pertaining thereto. Proxies shall not be considered for the establishment of a quorum.

2.6 Whenever the committee by roll call vote reports any measure or matter, the report of the committee upon such measure or matter shall include a tabulation of the votes cast in favor of and the votes cast in opposition to such measure or matter by each member of the committee.

Rule 3. Subcommittees

Creation of subcommittees shall be by majority vote of the committee. Subcommittees shall deal with such legislation and oversight of programs and policies as the committee may direct. The subcommittees shall be governed by the rules of the committee and by such other rules they may adopt which are consistent with the rules of the committee.

Rule 4. Reporting of Measures or Recommendations

4.1 No measures or recommendations shall be reported, favorably or unfavorably, from the committee unless a majority of the committee is actually present and a majority concur.

4.2 In any case in which the committee is unable to reach a unanimous decision, separate views or reports may be presented by any member or members of the committee.

4.3 A member of the committee who gives notice of his intention to file supplemental, minority, or additional views at the time of final committee approval of a measure or matter, shall be entitled to not less than three working days in which to file such views, in writing with the clerk of the committee. Such views shall then be included in the committee report and printed in the same volume, as a part thereof, and their inclusion shall be noted on the cover of the report.

Rule 5. Nominations

5.1 Unless otherwise ordered by the committee, nominations referred to the committee shall be held for at least 14 days before being voted on by the committee.

5.2 Each member of the committee shall be promptly furnished a copy of all nominations referred to the committee.

5.3 Nominees who are invited to appear before the committee shall be heard in public session, except as provided in rule 2.1.

5.4 No confirmation hearing shall be held sooner than seven days after receipt of the background and financial disclosure statement unless the time limit is waived by a majority vote of the committee.

5.5 The committee vote on the confirmation shall not be sooner than 48 hours after the committee has received transcripts of the confirmation hearing unless the time limit is waived by unanimous consent of the committee.

5.6 No nomination shall be reported to the Senate unless the nominee has filed a background and financial disclosure statement with the committee.

Rule 6. Investigations

No investigation shall be initiated by the committee unless at least five members of the committee have specifically requested the chairman or the vice chairman to authorize such an investigation. Authorized investigations may be conducted by members of the committee and/or by designated committee staff members.

Rule 7. Subpenas

Subpenas authorized by the committee for the attendance of witnesses or the production of memoranda, documents, records or any other material may be issued by the chairman, the vice chairman, or any member of the committee designated by the chairman, and may be served by any person designated by the chairman, vice chairman or member issuing the subpenas. Each subpena shall have attached thereto a copy of Senate Resolution 400, 94th Congress, 2d session, and a copy of these rules.

Rule 8. Procedures Related to the Taking of Testimony

8.1 *Notice.*—Witnesses required to appear before the committee shall be given reasonable notice and all witnesses shall be furnished a copy of these Rules.

8.2 *Oath or affirmation.*—Testimony of witnesses shall be given under oath or affirmation which may be administered by any member of the committee.

8.3 *Interrogation.*—Committee interrogation shall be conducted by members of the committee and such committee staff as are authorized by the chairman, vice chairman, or the presiding member.

8.4 *Counsel for the witness.*—(a) Any witness may be accompanied by counsel. A witness who is unable to obtain counsel may inform the committee of such fact. If the witness informs the committee of this fact at least 24 hours prior to his appearance before the committee the committee shall then endeavor to obtain voluntary counsel for the witness. Failure to obtain such counsel will not excuse the witness from appearing and testifying.

(b) Counsel shall conduct themselves in an ethical and professional manner. Failure to do so shall, upon a finding to that effect by a majority of the members present, subject such counsel to disciplinary action which may include warning, censure, removal, or a recommendation of contempt proceedings.

(c) There shall be no direct or cross-examination by counsel. However, counsel may submit in writing any question he wishes propounded to his client or to any other witness and may, at the conclusion of his client's testimony, suggest the presentation of other evidence or the calling of other witnesses. The committee may use such questions and dispose of such suggestions as it deems appropriate.

8.5 *Statements by Witnesses.*—A witness may make a statement, which shall be brief and relevant, at the beginning and conclusion of

his testimony. Such statements shall not exceed a reasonable period of time as determined by the chairman, or other presiding member. Any witness desiring to make a prepared or written statement for the record of the proceedings shall file a copy with the clerk of the committee, and insofar as practicable and consistent with the notice given, shall do so at least 72 hours in advance of his appearance before the committee.

8.6 *Objections and Rulings.*—Any objection raised by a witness or counsel shall be ruled upon by the chairman or other presiding member, and such ruling shall be the ruling of the committee unless a majority of the committee present overrules the ruling of the chair.

8.7 *Inspection and Correction.*—All witnesses testifying before the committee shall be given a reasonable opportunity to inspect, in the office of the committee, the transcript of their testimony to determine whether such testimony was correctly transcribed. The witness may be accompanied by counsel. Any corrections the witness desires to make in the transcript shall be submitted in writing to the committee within 5 days from the date when the transcript was made available to the witness. Corrections shall be limited to grammar and minor editing, and may not be made to change the substance of the testimony. Any questions arising with respect to such corrections shall be decided by the chairman. Upon request, those parts of testimony given by a witness in executive session which are subsequently quoted or made part of a public record shall be made available to that witness at his expense.

8.8 *Requests to Testify.*—The committee will consider requests to testify on any matter or measure pending before the committee. A person who believes that testimony or other evidence presented at a public hearing, or any comment made by a committee member or a member of the committee staff may tend to affect adversely his reputation, may request to appear personally before the committee to testify on his own behalf, or may file a sworn statement of facts relevant to the testimony, evidence, or comment, or may submit to the chairman proposed questions in writing for the cross-examination of other witnesses. The committee shall take such action as it deems appropriate.

8.9 *Contempt Procedures.*—No recommendation that a person be cited for contempt of Congress shall be forwarded to the Senate unless and until the committee has, upon notice to all its members, met and considered the alleged contempt, afforded the person an opportunity to state in writing or in person why he should not be held in contempt, and agreed, by majority vote of the committee to forward such recommendation to the Senate.

8.10 *Release of Name of Witness.*—Unless authorized by the chairman, the name of any witness scheduled to be heard by the committee shall not be released prior to, or after, his appearance before the committee.

Rule 9. Procedures for Handling Classified or Sensitive Material

9.1 Committee staff offices shall operate under strict security precautions. At least one security guard shall be on duty at all times by the entrance to control entry. Before entering the office all persons shall identify themselves.

9.2 Sensitive or classified documents and material shall be segregated in a secure storage area. They may be examined only at secure reading facilities. Copying, duplicating, or removal from the committee offices of such documents and other materials is prohibited except as is necessary for use in, or preparation for, interviews or committee meetings, including the taking of testimony, and in conformity with Section 10.3 hereof.

9.3 Each member of the committee shall at all times have access to all papers and other material received from any source. The staff director shall be responsibile for the maintenance, under appropriate security procedures, of a registry which will number and identify all classified papers and other classified materials in the possession of the committee, and such registry shall be available to any member of the committee.

9.4 Whenever the Select Committee on Intelligence makes classified material available to any other committee of the Senate or to any member of the Senate not a member of the committee, the clerk of the committee shall be notified. The clerk of the committee shall maintain a written record identifying the particular information transmitted and the committee or members of the Senate receiving such information.

9.5 Access to classified information supplied to the committee shall be limited to those committee staff members with appropriate security clearances and a need-to-know, as determined by the committee, and under the committee's direction, the staff director and minority staff director.

9.6 No member of the committee or of the committee staff shall disclose, in whole or in part or by way of summary, to any person not a member of the committee or the committee staff for any purpose or in connection with any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, any testimony given before the committee in executive session including the name of any witness who appeared or was called to appear before the committee in executive session, or the contents of any papers or other materials or other information received by the committee except as authorized by the committee in accordance with section 8 of Senate Resolution 400 of the 94th Congress and the provisions of these rules, or in the event of the termination of the committee, in such a manner as may be determined by the Senate.

9.7 Before the committee makes any decision regarding the disposition of any testimony, papers, or other materials presented to it, the committee members shall have a reasonable opportunity to examine all pertinent testimony, papers, and other materials that have been obtained by the members of the committee or the committee staff.

Rule 10. Staff

10.1 For the purpose of these rules, committee staff means employees of the committee, employees of the members of the committee assigned to the committee, consultants to the committee, employees of other government agencies detailed to the committee, or any other person engaged by contract or otherwise to perform services for or at the request of the committee.

10.2 The appointment of committee staff shall be confirmed by a majority vote of the committee. After confirmation, the chairman

shall certify committee staff appointments to the financial clerk of the Senate in writing.

10.3 The committee staff works for the committee as a whole, under the general supervision of the chairman and vice chairman of the committee. Except as otherwise provided by the committee, the duties of committee staff shall be performed, and committee staff personnel affairs and day-to-day operations, including security and control of classified documents and material, shall be administered under the direct supervision and control of the staff director. The minority staff director and the minority counsel shall be kept fully informed regarding all matters and shall have access to all material in the files of the committee.

10.4 The committee staff shall assist the minority as fully as the majority in the expression of minority views, including assistance in the preparation and filing of additional, separate and minority views, to the end that all points of view may be fully considered by the committee and the Senate.

10.5 The members of the committee staff shall not discuss either the substance or procedure of the work of the committee with any person not a member of the committee or the committee staff for any purpose or in connection with any proceeding, judicial, or otherwise, either during his tenure as a member of the committee staff or at any time thereafter except as directed by the committee in accordance with section 8 of Senate Resolution 400 of the 94th Congress and the provisions of these rules, or in the event of the termination of the committee, in such a manner as may be determined by the Senate.

10.6 No member of the committee staff shall be employed by the committee unless and until such a member of the committee staff agrees in writing, as a condition of employment to abide by the conditions of the nondisclosure agreement promulgated by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence pursuant to section 6 of Senate Resolution 400 of the 94th Congress, 2d Session.

10.7 No member of the committee staff shall be employed by the committee unless and until such a member of the committee staff agrees in writing, as a condition of employment, to notify the committee or in the event of the committee's termination the Senate of any request for his testimony, either during his tenure as a member of the committee staff or at any time thereafter with respect to information which came into his possession by virtue of his position as a member of the committee staff. Such information shall not be disclosed in response to such requests except as directed by the committee in accordance with section 8 of Senate Resolution 400 of the 94th Congress and the provisions of these rules, or in the event of the termination of the committee, in such manner as may be determined by the Senate.

10.8. The committee shall immediately consider action to be taken in the case of any member of the committee staff who fails to conform to any of these rules. Such disciplinary action may include, but shall not be limited to, immediate dismissal from the committee staff.

Rule 11. Preparation for Committee Meetings

11.1 Under direction of the chairman and the vice chairman, designated committee staff members shall brief members of the committee at a time sufficiently prior to any committee meeting to assist the committee members in preparation for such meeting and to determine any matter which the committee member might wish considered during the meeting. Such briefing shall, at the request of a member, include a list of all pertinent papers and other materials that have been obtained by the committee that bear on matters to be considered at the meeting.

11.2 The staff director shall recommend to the chairman and the vice chairman the testimony, papers, and other materials to be presented to the committee at any meeting. The determination whether such testimony, papers, and other materials shall be presented in open or executive session shall be made pursuant to the rules of the Senate and rules of the committee.

Rule 12. Legislative Calendar

12.1 The clerk of the committee shall maintain a printed calendar for the information of each committee member showing the measures introduced and referred to the committee and the status of such measures; nominations referred to the committee and their status; and such other matters as the committee determines shall be included. The calendar shall be revised from time to time to show pertinent changes. A copy of each such revision shall be furnished to each member of the committee.

12.2 Unless otherwise ordered, measures referred to the committee shall be referred by the clerk of the committee to the appropriate department or agency of the Government for reports thereon.

Rule 13. Committee Travel

13.1 No member of the committee or committee staff shall travel abroad on committee business unless specifically authorized by the chairman and vice chairman. Requests for authorization of such travel shall state the purpose and extent of the trip. A full report shall be filed with the committee when travel is completed.

13.2 When the chairman and the vice chairman approve the foreign travel of a member of the Committee staff not accompanying a member of the committee, all members of the committee are to be advised, prior to the commencement of such travel, of its extent, nature and purpose. The report referred to in rule 13.1 shall be furnished to all members of the committee and shall not be otherwise disseminated without the express authorization of the committee pursuant to the rules of the committee.

13.3 No member of the committee staff shall travel within this country on committee business unless specifically authorized by the staff director as directed by the committee.

Rule 14. Changes in Rules

These rules may be modified, amended, cr repealed by the committee, provided that a notice in writing of the proposed change has been given to each member at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at which action thereon is to be taken.

APPENDIX A

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[Report No. 94-675]

[Report No. 94-770]

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 1, 1976

Mr. MANSFIELD (for Mr. RIBICOFF) (for himself, Mr. CHURCH, Mr. PERCY, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BROCK, Mr. CHILES, Mr. GLENN, Mr. HUDDLESTON, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. JAVITS, Mr. MATHIAS, Mr. METCALF, Mr. MONDALE, Mr. MORGAN, Mr. MUSKIE, Mr. NUNN, Mr. ROTH, Mr. SCHWEIKER, and Mr. WEICKER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Operations

MAY 19, 1976

Considered, amended, and agreed to

RESOLUTION

To establish a Standing Committee of the Senate on Intelligence, and for other purposes.

Resolved, That it is the purpose of this resolution to establish a new select committee of the Senate, to be known as the Select Committee on Intelligence, to oversee and make continuing studies of the intelligence activities and programs of the United States Government, and to submit to the Senate appropriate proposals for legislation and report to the Senate concerning such intelligence activities and programs. In carrying out this purpose, the Select Committee on Intelligence shall make every effort to assure that the appropriate departments and agencies of the United States provide informed and timely intelligence necessary for the executive and legislative branches to make sound decisions affecting the security and vital interests of the Nation. It is further the purpose of this resolution to provide vigilant legislative oversight over the intelligence activities of the United States to assure that such activities are in conformity with the Constitution and laws of the United States.

SEC. 2. (a) (1) There is hereby established a select committee to be known as the Select Committee on Intelligence (hereinafter in this resolution referred to as the "select committee"). The select committee shall be composed of fifteen members appointed as follows:

(A) two members from the Committee on Appropriations;
(B) two members from the Committee on Armed Services;
(C) two members from the Committee on Foreign Relations;
(D) two members from the Committee on the Judiciary; and
(E) seven members to be appointed from the Senate at large.

(2) Members appointed from each committee named in clauses (A) through (D) of paragraph (1) shall be evenly divided between the two major political parties and shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate upon the recommendations of the majority and minority leaders of the Senate. Four of the members appointed under clause (E) of paragraph (1) shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate upon the recommendation of the majority leader of the Senate and three shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate upon the recommendation of the minority leader of the Senate.

(3) The majority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the Senate shall be ex officio members of the select committee but shall have no vote in the committee and shall not be counted for purposes of determining a quorum.

(b) No Senator may serve on the select committee for more than eight years of continuous service, exclusive of service by any Senator on such committee during the Ninety-fourth Congress. To the greatest extent practicable, one-third of the Members of the Senate appointed to the select committee at the beginning of the Ninety-seventh Congress and each Congress thereafter shall be Members of the Senate who did not serve on such committee during the preceding Congress.

(c) At the beginning of each Congress, the Members of the Senate who are members of the majority party of the Senate shall elect a chairman for the select committee, and the Members of the Senate who are from the minority party of the Senate shall elect a vice chairman for such committee. The vice chairman shall act in the place and stead of the chairman in the absence of the chairman. Neither the chairman nor the vice chairman of the select committee shall at the

same time serve as chairman or ranking minority member of any other committee referred to in paragraph 4(e)(1) of rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

SEC. 3. (a) There shall be referred to the select committee all proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to the following:

(1) The Central Intelligence Agency and the Director of Central Intelligence.

(2) Intelligence activities of all other departments and agencies of the Government, including, but not limited to, the intelligence activities of the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, and other agencies of the Department of Defense; the Department of State; the Department of Justice; and the Department of the Treasury.

(3) The organization or reorganization of any department or agency of the Government to the extent that the organization or reorganization relates to a function or activity involving intelligence activities.

(4) Authorizations for appropriations, both direct and indirect, for the following:

(A) The Central Intelligence Agency and Director of Central Intelligence.

(B) The Defense Intelligence Agency.

(C) The National Security Agency.

(D) The intelligence activities of other agencies and subdivisions of the Department of Defense.

(E) The intelligence activities of the Department of State.

(F) The intelligence activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, including all activities of the Intelligence Division.

(G) Any department, agency, or subdivision which is the successor to any agency named in clause (A), (B), or (C); and the activities of any department, agency, or subdivision which is the successor to any department, agency, bureau, or subdivision named in clause (D), (E), or (F) to the extent that the activities of such successor department, agency, or subdivision are activities described in clause (D), (E), or (F).

(b) Any proposed legislation reported by the select committee, except any legislation involving matters specified in clause (1) or (4)(A) of subsection (a), containing any matter otherwise within the jurisdiction of any standing committee shall, at the request of the chairman of such standing committee, be referred to such standing committee for its consideration of such matter and be reported to the Senate by such standing committee within thirty days after the day on which such proposed legislation is referred to such standing committee; and any proposed legislation reported by any committee, other than the select committee, which contains any matter within the jurisdiction of the select committee shall, at the request of the chairman of the select committee, be referred to the select committee for its consideration of such matter and be reported to the Senate by the select committee within thirty days after the day on which such proposed legislation is referred to such committee. In any case in which a

committee fails to report any proposed legislation referred to it within the time limit prescribed herein, such committee shall be automatically discharged from further consideration of such proposed legislation on the thirtieth day following the day on which such proposed legislation is referred to such committee unless the Senate provides otherwise. In computing any thirty-day period under this paragraph there shall be excluded from such computation any days on which the Senate is not in session.

(c) Nothing in this resolution shall be construed as prohibiting or otherwse restricting the authority of any other committee to study and review any intelligence activity to the extent that such activity directly affects a matter otherwise within the jurisdiction of such committee.

(d) Nothing in this resolution shall be construed as amending, limiting, or otherwise changing the authority of any standing committee of the Senate to obtain full and prompt access to the product of the intelligence activities of any department or agency of the Government relevant to a matter otherwise within the jurisdiction of such committee.

SEC. 4. (a) The select committe, for the purposes of accountability to the Senate, shall make regular and periodic reports to the Senate on the nature and extent of the intelligence activities of the various departments and agencies of the United States. Such committee shall promptly call to the attention of the Senate or to any other appropriate committee or committees of the Senate any matters requiring the attention of the Senate or such other committee or committees. In making such report, the select committee shall proceed in a manner consistent with section 8(c)(2) to protect national security.

(b) The select committee shall obtain an annual report from the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Such reports shall review the intelligence activities of the agency or department concerned and the intelligence activities of foreign countries directed at the United States or its interest. An unclassified version of each report may be made available to the public at the discretion of the select committee. Nothing herein shall be construed as requiring the public disclosure in such reports of the names of individuals engaged in intelligence activities for the United States or the divulging of intelligence methods employed or the sources of information on which such reports are based or the amount of funds authorized to be appropriated for intelligence activities.

(c) On or before March 15 of each year, the select committee shall submit to the Committee on the Budget of the Senate the views and estimates described in section 301(c) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 regarding matters within the jurisdiction of the select committee.

SEC. 5. (a) For the purposes of this resolution, the select committee is authorized in its discretion (1) to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction, (2) to make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate, (3) to employ personnel, (4) to hold hearings, (5) to sit and act at any time or place during the sessions, recesses, and adjourned periods of the Senate, (6) to require, by subpena or otherwise, the attendance of witnesses and the production of correspondence, books, papers, and documents, (7) to take depositions

and other testimony, (8) to procure the service of individual consultants or organizations thereof, in accordance with the provisions of section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, and (9) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committe on Rules and Administration, to use on a reimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

(b) The chairman of the select committee or any member thereof may administer oaths to witnesses.

(c) Subpenas authorized by the select committee may be issued over the signature of the chairman, the vice chairman or any member of the select committee designated by the chairman, and may be served by any person designated by the chairman or any member signing the subpena.

SEC. 6. No employee of the select committee or any person engaged by contract or otherwise to perform services for or at the request of such committee shall be given access to any classified information by such committee unless such employee or person has (1) agreed in writing and under oath to be bound by the rules of the Senate (including the jurisdiction of the Select Committee on Standards and Conduct [1] and of such committee as to the security of such information during and after the period of his employment or contractual agreement with such committee; and (2) received an appropriate security clearance as determined by such committee in consultation with the Director of Central Intelligence. The type of security clearance to be required in the case of any such employee or person shall, within the determination of such committee in consultation with the Director of Central Intelligence, be commensurate with the sensitivity of the classified information to which such employee or person will be given access by such committee.

SEC. 7. The select committee shall formulate and carry out such rules and procedures as it deems necessary to prevent the disclosure, without the consent of the person or persons concerned, of information in the possession of such committee which unduly infringes upon the privacy or which violates the constitutional rights of such person or persons. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent such committee from publicly disclosing any such information in any case in which such committee determines the national interest in the disclosure of such information clearly outweighs any infringement on the privacy of any person or persons.

SEC. 8. (a) The select committee may, subject to the provisions of this section, disclose publicly any information in the possession of such committee after a determination by such committee that the public interest would be served by such disclosure. Whenever committee action is required to disclose any information under this section, the committee shall meet to vote on the matter within five days after any member of the committee requests such a vote. No member of the select committee shall disclose any information, the disclosure of which requires a committee vote, prior to a vote by the committee on the question of the disclosure of such information or after such vote except in accordance with this section.

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[1] Name changed to the Select Committee on Ethics by S. Res. 4, 95–1, Feb. 4, 1977.

(b)(1) In any case in which the select committee votes to disclose publicly any information which has been classified under established security procedures, which has been submitted to it by the executive branch, and which the executive branch requests be kept secret, such committee shall notify the President of such vote.

(2) The select committee may disclose publicly such information after the expiration of a five-day period following the day on which notice of such vote is transmitted to the President, unless, prior to the expiration of such five-day period, the President, personally in writing, notifies the committee that he objects to the disclosure of such information, provides his reasons therefor, and certifies that the threat to the national interest of the United States posed by such disclosure is of such gravity that it outweighs any public interest in the disclosure.

(3) If the President, personally in writing, notifies the select committee of his objections to the disclosure of such information as provided in paragraph (2), such committee may, by majority vote, refer the question of the disclosure of such information to the Senate for consideration. The committee shall not publicly disclose such information without leave of the Senate.

(4) Whenever the select committee votes to refer the question of disclosure of any information to the Senate under paragraph (3), the chairman shall not later than the first day on which the Senate is in session following the day on which the vote occurs, report the matter to the Senate for its consideration.

(5) One hour after the Senate convenes on the fourth day on which the Senate is in session following the day on which any such matter is reported to the Senate, or at such earlier time as the majority leader and the minority leader of the Senate jointly agree upon in accordance with paragraph 5 of rule XVII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Senate shall go into closed session and the matter shall be the pending business. In considering the matter in closed session the Senate may—

(A) approve the public disclosure of all or any portion of the information in question, in which case the committee shall publicly disclose the information ordered to be disclosed,

(B) disapprove the public disclosure of all or any portion of the information in question, in which case the committee shall not publicly disclose the information ordered not to be disclosed, or

(C) refer all or any portion of the matter back to the committee, in which case the committee shall make the final determination with respect to the public disclosure of the information in question.

Upon conclusion of the consideration of such matter in closed session, which may not extend beyond the close of the ninth day on which the Senate is in session following the day on which such matter was reported to the Senate, or the close of the fifth day following the day agreed upon jointly by the majority and minority leaders in accordance with paragraph 5 of rule XVII of the Standing Rules of the Senate (whichever the case may be), the Senate shall immediately vote on the disposition of such matter in open session, without debate, and without divulging the information with respect to which the vote

is being taken. The Senate shall vote to dispose of such matter by one or more of the means specified in clauses (A), (B), and (C) of the second sentence of this paragraph. Any vote of the Senate to disclose any information pursuant to this paragraph shall be subject to the right of a Member of the Senate to move for reconsideration of the vote within the time and pursuant to the procedures specified in rule XIII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and the disclosure of such information shall be made consistent with that right.

(c)(1) No information in the possession of the select committee relating to the lawful intelligence activities of any department or agency of the United States which has been classified under established security procedures and which the select committee, pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this section, has determined should not be disclosed shall be made available to any person by a Member, officer, or employee of the Senate except in a closed session of the Senate or as provided in paragraph (2).

(2) The select committee may, under such regulations as the committee shall prescribe to protect the confidentiality of such information, make any information described in paragraph (1) available to any other committee or any other Member of the Senate. Whenever the select committee makes such information available, the committee shall keep a written record showing, in the case of any particular information, which committee or which Members of the Senate received such information. No Member of the Senate who, and no committee which, receives any information under this subsection, shall disclose such information except in a closed session of the Senate.

(d) It shall be the duty of the Select Committee on Standards and Conduct [1] to investigate any unauthorized disclosure of intelligence information by a Member, officer or employee of the Senate in violation of subsection (c) and to report to the Senate concerning any allegation which it finds to be substantiated.

(e) Upon the request of any person who is subject to any such investigation, the Select Committee on Standards and Conduct [1] shall release to such individual at the conclusion of its investigation a summary of its investigation together with its findings. If, at the conclusion of its investigation, the Select Committee on Standards and Conduct [1] determines that there has been a significant breach of confidentiality or unauthorized disclosure by a Member, officer, or employee of the Senate, it shall report its findings to the Senate and recommend appropriate action such as censure, removal from committee membership, or expulsion from the Senate, in the case of a Member, or removal from office or employment or punishment for contempt, in the case of an officer or employee.

SEC. 9. The select committee is authorized to permit any personal representative of the President, designated by the President to serve as a liaison to such committee, to attend any closed meeting of such committee.

SEC. 10. Upon expiration of the Select Committee on Governmental Operations With Respect to Intelligence Activities, established by Senate Resolution 21, Ninety-fourth Congress, all records, files, documents, and other materials in the possession, custody, or control of such committee, under appropriate conditions established by it, shall be transferred to the select committee.

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[1] Names changed to the Select Committee on Ethics by S. Res. 4, 95–1, Feb. 4, 1977.

SEC. 11. (a) It is the sense of the Senate that the head of each department and agency of the United States should keep the select committee fully and currently informed with respect to intelligence activities, including any significant anticipated activities, which are the responsibility of or engaged in by such department or agency: *Provided*, That this does not constitute a condition precedent to the implementation of any such anticipated intelligence activity.

(b) It is the sense of the Senate that the head of any department or agency of the United States involved in any intelligence activities should furnish any information or document in the possession, custody, or control of the department or agency, or person paid by such department or agency, whenever requested by the select committee with respect to any matter within such committee's jurisdiction.

(c) It is the sense of the Senate that each department and agency of the United States should report immediately upon discovery to the select committee any and all intelligence activities which constitute violations of the constitutional rights of any person, violations of law, or violations of Executive orders, Presidential directives, or departmental or agency rules or regulations; each department and agency should further report to such committee what actions have been taken or are expected to be taken by the departments or agencies with respect to such violations.

SEC. 12. Subject to the Standing Rules of the Senate, no funds shall be appropriated for any fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1976, with the exception of a continuing bill or resolution, or amendment thereto, or conference report thereon, to, or for use of, any department or agency of the United States to carry out any of the following activities, unless such funds shall have been previously authorized by a bill or joint resolution passed by the Senate during the same or preceding fiscal year to carry out such activity for such fiscal year:

(1) The activities of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Director of Central Intelligence.

(2) The activities of the Defense Intelligence Agency.

(3) The activities of the National Security Agency.

(4) The intelligence activities of other agencies and subdivisions of the Department of Defense.

(5) The intelligence activities of the Department of State.

(6) The intelligence activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, including all activities of the Intelligence Division.

SEC. 13. (a) The select committee shall make a study with respect to the following matters, taking into consideration with respect to each such matter, all relevant aspects of the effectiveness of planning, gathering, use, security, and dissemination of intelligence:

(1) the quality of the analytical capabilities of United States foreign intelligence agencies and means for integrating more closely analytical intelligence and policy formulation;

(2) the extent and nature of the authority of the departments and agencies of the executive branch to engage in intelligence activities and the desirability of developing charters for each intelligence agency or department;

(3) the organization of intelligence activities in the executive branch to maximize the effectiveness of the conduct, oversight, and accountability of intelligence activities; to reduce duplica-

tion or overlap; and to improve the morale of the personnel of the foreign intelligence agencies;

(4) the conduct of covert and clandestine activities and the procedures by which Congress is informed of such activities;

(5) the desirability of changing any law, Senate rule or procedure, or any Executive order, rule, or regulation to improve the protection of intelligence secrets and provide for disclosure of information for which there is no compelling reason for secrecy;

(6) the desirability of establishing a standing committee of the Senate on intelligence activities;

(7) the desirability of establishing a joint committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives on intelligence activities in lieu of having separate committees in each House of Congress, or of establishing procedures under which separate committees on intelligence activities of the two Houses of Congress would receive joint briefings from the intelligence agencies and coordinate their policies with respect to the safeguarding of sensitive intelligence information;

(8) the authorization of funds for the intelligence activities of the Government and whether disclosure of any of the amounts of such funds is in the public interest; and

(9) the development of a uniform set of definitions for terms to be used in policies or guidelines which may be adopted by the executive or legislative branches to govern, clarify, and strengthen the operation of intelligence activities.

(b) The select committee may, in its discretion, omit from the special study required by this section any matter it determines has been adequately studied by the Select Committee To Study Governmental Operations With Respect to Intelligence Activities, established by Senate Resolution 21, Ninety-fourth Congress.

(c) The select committee shall report the results of the study provided for by this section to the Senate, together with any recommendations for legislative or other actions it deems appropriate, no later than July 1, 1977, and from time to time thereafter as it deems appropriate.

SEC. 14. (a) As used in this resolution, the term "intelligence activities" includes (1) the collection, analysis, production, dissemination, or use of information which relates to any foreign country, or any government, political group, party, military force, movement, or other association in such foreign country, and which relates to the defense, foreign policy, national security, or related policies of the United States, and other activity which is in support of such activities; (2) activities taken to counter similar activities directed against the United States; (3) covert or clandestine activities affecting the relations of the United States with any foreign government, political group, party, military force, movement or other association; (4) the collection, analysis, production, dissemination, or use of information about activities of persons within the United States, its territories and possessions, or nationals of the United States abroad whose political and related activities pose, or may be considered by any department, agency, bureau, office, division, instrumentality, or employee of the United States to pose, a threat to the internal security of the United States, and covert or clandestine activities directed against such persons. Such term does not include tactical foreign military intelligence serving no national policymaking function.

(b) As used in this resolution, the term "department or agency" includes any organization, committee, council, establishment, or office within the Federal Government.

(c) For purposes of this resolution, reference to any department, agency, bureau, or subdivision shall include a reference to any successor department, agency, bureau, or subdivision to the extent that such successor engage in intelligence activities now conducted by the department, bureau, or subdivision referred to in this resolution.

SEC. 15. (This section authorized funds for the select committee for the period May 19, 1976, through Feb. 28, 1977.)

SEC. 16. Nothing in this resolution shall be construed as constituting acquiescence by the Senate in any practice, or in the conduct of any activity, not otherwise authorized by law.

APPENDIX B

94TH CONGRESS
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S. RES. 9

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 15, 1975

Mr. CHILES (for himself, Mr. ROTH, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BROCK, Mr. CHURCH, Mr. CLARK, Mr. CRANSTON, Mr. HATFIELD, Mr. HATHAWAY. Mr. HUMPHREY, Mr. JAVITS, Mr. JOHNSTON, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. METCALF, Mr. MONDALE, Mr. MUSKIE, Mr. PACKWOOD, Mr. PERCY, Mr. PROXMIRE, Mr. STAFFORD, Mr. STEVENSON, Mr. TAFT, Mr. WEICKER, Mr. BUMPERS, Mr. STONE, Mr. CULVER, Mr. FORD, Mr. HART of Colorado, Mr. LAXALT, Mr. NELSON, and Mr. HASKELL) introduced the following resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

RESOLUTION

Amending the rules of the Senate relating to open committee meetings.

Resolved, That paragraph 7(b) of rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate is amended to read as follows;

"(b) Each meeting of a standing, select, or special committee of the Senate, or any subcommittee thereof, including meetings to conduct hearings, shall be open to the public, except that a portion or portions of any such meeting may be closed to the public if the committee or subcommittee, as the case may be, determines by record vote of a majority of the members of the committee or subcommittee present that the matters to be discussed or the testimony to be taken at such portion or portions—

"(1) will disclose matters necessary to be kept secret in the interests of national defense or the confidential conduct of the foreign relations of the United States;

"(2) will relate solely to matters of committee staff personnel or internal staff mangement or procedure;

"(3) will tend to charge an individual with crime or misconduct, to disgrace or injure the professional standing of an individual, or otherwise to expose an individual to public contempt or obloquy, or will represent a clearly unwarranted invasion of the privacy of an individual;

"(4) will disclose the identity of any informer or law enforcement agent or will disclose any information relating to the investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense that is required to be kept secret in the interests of effective law enforcement; or

"(5) will disclose information relating to the trade secrets or financial or commercial information pertaining specifically to a given person if—

"(A) an Act of Congress requires the information to be kept confidential by Government officers and employees; or

"(B) the information has been obtained by the Government on a confidential basis, other than through an application by such person for a specific Government financial or other benefit, and is required to be kept secret in order to prevent undue injury to the competitive position of such person.

Whenever any hearing conducted by any such committee or subcommittee is open to the public, that hearing may be broadcast by radio or television, or both, under such rules as the committee or subcommittee may adopt.".

SEC. 2. Section 133A(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, sction 242(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970, and sections 102 (d) and (e) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 are repealed.

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